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The numbers 1, 2, 3 etc., in the following, indicate succeeding generations. Some of the data has been obtained from the Mass. Encyclopedia of Biography,- Volume 14, Page 85.

1- William Clark came from England about 1634, and he kept an ordinary in Salem, Mass. His first wife's name is unknown, by whom he had a son and a daughter; and he had four children by his second wife, Catherine. She renewed the license to conduct the tavern, in 1647, after William's death. William's inventory, made in 1647, amounted to 587L, 3s, 2d.
(Webster defines ordinary as a tavern or eating house; originally and especially one that serves regular meals.)

2- William Clark is described as a vintner in Salem, Mass. in 1660, and he is the father of John. There is no record concerning his wife.
(Webster defines vintner as a wine seller, or wine merchant, especially, at wholesale.)

3- John Clark was born about 1658 to 1660, and he settled in Beverly, Mass. He married Sarah, a daughter of John and Elizabeth Smith of Salem, Mass. She was born October 20, 1660. They settled in Rochester, Mass. about 1705, and there John's will was made March 7, 1727. Their children were:-

Sarah- born Aug. 21, 1683. Beverly.
Joseph- date of birth not given.
Catherine baptised July 3, 1690 in Beverly.
Mary- born July 2, 1693.
Cornelius-born Aug. 28, 1698.
Elizabeth- born Nov. 1, 1702
John-Born Oct. 7, 1687. CR-1

(CR indicates Church Record.)

4- Joseph Clarke married Thankfull Stevens, daughter of Andrew Stevens, December 29, 1720. (No intentions recorded.) Their children were:-

Isaac- Sept. 6, 1721.
Kathron- Oct. 17, 1723.
Joseph- Nov. 30, 1724.
Thankfull- Aug. - 1727.
Nathaniel- Feb. 17, 1729 or 30.
Willard- March 21, 1731 or 32.
Elizabeth- bap. Sept. 12, 1736.
Robert- Bap. June 8, 1739.

(Above data taken from Rochester marriage records, Vol. 2, page 85, plus the Encyclopedia cited above, plus Rochester, Mass. Vital Records, Volume 1. Data has also been found in Springfield, Mass. City Library, Volume 929.3, H22P, covering Hardwick, Mass. on page 348.)
Elizabeth's and Robert's baptismal records are from the First Congregational Church records.

5- Isaac Clark married Content Weeks of Hardwick, Mass. on Oct. 29, 1742, having filed intentions June 19, 1742. Their children were:-

Bethia- July 2, 1744.
Isaac- Nov. 24, 1746.
Catherine- May 29, 1749.
Thankful- May 18, 1752.
Content- Aug. 21, 1754.
Sarah- July 3, 1757.
Thomas- Feb. 10, 1760. (Bap.)
Rhoda- Jan. 27, 1762.
Thomas- July 10, 1764.
Asa- April 18, 1767. (Bap.)
Susanna- Jan. 29, 1768.

Isaac, #5, was a farmer who moved from Rochester, Mass. to Hardwick, Mass. about 1747, and died Dec. 24, 1804, aged 83. His widow, Content, died Feb. 22, 1809, aged 85.

6- Thomas Clark married Sally Patrick of Western, now Warren, Mass. Their intentions were filed in Warren, Sept. 12, 1790. Their children were:-

Ansel Young;- March 29, 1792
Sophia;- March 15, 1794
Justin;- March 19, 1796.
Lucia P.;- Aug. 22, 1798.
Thomas Baxter;- Dec. 5, 1800.
Sarah P.;- Feb. 8, 1801 or 02.
Everline W.;- Dec. 2, 1804
Isaac S.;- Nov. 22, 1806.
Rachel Maria;- Nov. 11, 1808.
Justin;- July 11, 1811.

Thomas was a shoe-maker in New Salem, Mass., and died there on April 23, 1842, and is buried there. Sally, his widow, died in Spencer, Mass., on Oct. 29, 1846. Notice of Sally's death was given in the Greenfield, Mass. Gazette & Courier, Dec. 1, 1846. As a matter of interest, the children of Thomas Clark, listed above, achieved some little publicity because of their average length of life. Everline W. Rawson lived to exceed 100 years in Whitinsville, Mass., and is buried there. Her activities in her nineties were written up in Worcester, Mass. papers quite frequently.

7- Isaac S. Clark married Elizabeth Berry on June 25, 1828. Elizabeth Berry was born Sept. 10, 1805, in North Prescott, Mass. Their children were:-

Isaac P.;- May 30, 1830
Sarah E.;- March 24, 1832
William Martin;- June 12, 1835
Laura Berry;- April 7, 1838.
Mary J.;- Sept. 30, 1841
Maria Louise;- Nov. 22, 1843.
Martha A.;- Sept. 26, 1845.
Thomas Baxter;- Dec. 5, 1847

Elizabeth Berry Clark died in Hadley on April 8, 1848. The state of Massachusetts did not require the names of the parents of a deceased person to be listed in the town obituary records until 1850, so that information is not given there. And efforts to trace her ancestry have, so far, failed to give results. Isaac died in Hadley on Aug. 26, 1882, and both Isaac and Elizabeth are buried in the cemetery on Cemetery Road in Hadley. The lot is directly north on a line from Mount Holyoke Summit House and the brown-stone "Fox" monument. Isaac remarried to Sarah Wiley Dickinson on May 3, 1849. Thomas Baxter's mother died about four months after he was born, so he was adopted, legally, by his uncle, Thomas Baxter I, who lived in Spencer, Mass.

8- Thomas Baxter Clark, II, married Phebe Howes Sears of East Dennis, Mass. on Nov. 23, 1871. Their children were:-

Justin Baxter;- June 28, 1873.
Allen Sears;- July 3, 1876.
Seth Roy;- Nov. 18, 1880.
Clara Cynthia;- May 26, 1883.
Lewis Manley;- April 11, 1887.

All the above children were born in Spencer, Mass.

Thomas Baxter, II, tried to enlist in the Civil War, but at that time, requirements were rigid and he was rejected because of his short stature. He was graduated from the Eastman National Business College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., and the compiler has the receipt for $35.00 which was paid for his tuition and which was signed by Mr. Eastman on Dec. 12, 1867. It is made out to T. Baxter Clark of Spencer, Mass. His good penmanship and his ability with figures reflected his education at this college.

Phebe came to Spencer to visit her cousin occasionally, and met Thomas Baxter and they were married in East Dennis, Mass. on Nov. 23, 1871, by Rev. J. W. Dodge. They came to live in the big farmhouse in Spencer, with Thomas B. Clark, I, and his wife, and helped to carry on the farm, taking it over upon the death of Thomas B., I. Phebe is a direct descendant of Richard Sears, who settled in Yarmouth, Mass. in 1630; and the Sears genealogy is published in a bound volume, a copy of which is in the Springfield City Library, the title of which reads: Sears Genealogy. The descendants of Richard Sears (Sares) of Yarmouth, Mass. By Samuel P. May, 1890, 272 Center St., Newton, Mass. Published by Joel Munsell Sons, Albany, N. Y. The compiler does not have a copy of this book, but does have a printed Sears Family Tree, compiled by Olive E. (Sears) Kelley and drawn by George E. Jones, Boston. Entered in Library of Congress in 1874.

Phebe's father was Barnabas Allen Sears, born in East Dennis on June 27, 1815. He married Elizabeth Allen Seabury of East Dennis on Dec. 17, 1840. Their children were Mary Elizabeth, Phebe Howes, Sarah Seabury, Emma Josephine, Barnabas Allen and Betsy Emeline. Elizabeth died on June 23, 1878 and Barnabas married Charlotte (Lottie) Burgess of Harwichport on July 3, 1879.

Barnabas' father, Paul Sears, married Ruth Howes. She, of course, was Phebe's Grandmother for whom she was given her middle name, Howes. The Howes genealogy, showing the Howes coat-of-arms, is a bound volume in the Springfield City Library.

The Clark family moved from Spencer, Mass. to a 68 acre farm in Baldwinville, Mass. in the spring of 1893. A pen or coop for the poultry was built on the hay-wagon, drawn by one horse, and Justin, Allen and Seth travelled, by this means, to Baldwinville, a distance of about 30 miles. The rest of the family came by train and the balance of the goods came by freight car. In September 1899, all except Justin and Allen, moved to Templeton, Mass., and Thomas died there on March 14, 1916, and is buried there in the Pine Grove Cemetery. Later, Phebe and Clara moved to Gardner, Mass., and after a few years, to Springfield, Mass., where Phebe died on June 21, 1927. She is buried in Pine Grove Cemetery, as is also Lewis, who died in Westfield, Mass. on Dec. 1, 1919. He was not married.

Clara Cynthia did not marry. She now resides at #1 Salem St., Springfield, Mass. During the last ten years she was employed as a seamstress by the Wesson Memorial Hospital, from which position she recently retired, with a ten-year service pin.

9- Justin Baxter Clark of Baldwinville, Mass. married Carrie Woodbury of Templeton, Mass., on Nov. 23, 1896, the twenty-fifth wedding anniversary of Thomas Baxter and Phebe Howes. Their children are:-

Clinton Everett;-	born Oc. 15, 1898.
Bessie Justtina;-	born Oct. 2, 1900.
Phebe Annette;-	born Oct. 2, 1903.
Hattie;-	born March 29, 1908.
Helen;-	born March 29, 1908.

A sixth child died a few days after birth and is buried in Pine Grove Cemetery. Carrie and Clinton are also deceased. Justin carried on a farm most of his life, in Baldwinville, Templeton, and in Elmer, N.J., his present residence, although he is now retired.

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9A- Allen Sears Clark married Alice K. Lumsden of Gardner, Mass. on Sept. 2, 1902. Alice was a native of Canso, Nova Scotia.

Their children are:-

Roland Baxter born in Gilbert, Ark.,	June 8, 1903.
Clara	Feb. 17, 1905.
Meda	July 9, 1907.
Kenneth Sears born in Lamont, Okla.	Feb. 21, 1909.
Twylah	Jan. 5, 1913.
(Edith) Ponda Lee	Jan. 4, 1919.

Allen did not finish High School in Spencer, Mass., but after a few years of working on the farm and in factories, he enrolled in the Valentine School of Telegraphy in Janesville, Wis. He had many interesting experiences as a telegraph operator and railroad station master in Minn., the Dakota's and then in Ark. and Okla., where he finally settled permanently. He is buried in Lamont, Okla., his last station with the Frisco R.R. Co. His widow, Alice, resides in Stillwater, Okla.

9B- Seth Roy Clark married Clara Eunice Lyon in Youngstown, O., on Dec. 31, 1907. They were married by Rev. John Ray Ewer of the First Christian Church, of which they were both members. They had one child:-
Robert Baxter;- born in Youngstown, Ohio on Dec. 5, 1913.
As a strange coincidence, Thomas Baxter I was born on Dec. 5, 1800; Thomas BaxterII, his nephew, (legally adopted son), was born Dec. 5, 1847, and Robert Baxter, Thomas Baxter II's grandson, was born on Dec. 5, 1913.
Seth graduated from Baldwinville High School in 1899, and from Worcester Polytechnic Institute of Worcester, Mass. in June 1904, with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Chemistry. He was employed by the City of Worcester as a chemist at the Sewage Disposal Plant from July 1, 1904 through May 31, 1905. In June 1905, he became chemist of the Republic Rubber Co. of Youngstown, Ohio, remaining with them for fifteen years, in various capacities, including Asst. Mill Superintendent, and Development Mgr. On Nov. 20, 1920, he became factory manager of the Braender Tire and Rubber Co. of Rutherford, N.J., living in Passaic, N.J. In Dec. 1922, he became Technical Advisor of the Fisk Rubber Co. in Chicopee Falls, Mass., and served in various capacities until Dec. 31, 1945, when he was retired under pension, by the United States Rubber Co., who had purchased the Fisk Co. a few years previously. Since retirement, he has devoted much of his time to Social Service, including:

1- Calls on elderly men of the Wesley Methodist Church. About 1,000 as of June, 1959.
2- President of the Golden Age Club of Springfield, an organization of over 1500 members, all over 65, from its founding in April, 1952, until May, 1959; being then elected president emeritus.
3- Member of first Springfield Council for Aging; a council of 5 members, authorized by the State. Appointed by Mayor Daniel Brunton in Dec. 1954, and re-appointed by Mayor Thomas J. O'Connor, Jr. in Dec. 1957. After serving four years, refused re-appointment in Dec. 1959.
4- One of the pioneers in trying to secure insurance for the elderly, covering hospital and medical care at a reasonable cost; with or without government subsidy. Within the past year, fruits of this work are noticeable.
5- Member of Wesley Methodist Church since 1923, and a member of the Official Board for many years; for the last several years serving as District Steward.
6- A Blue Lodge Mason; a philatelist; one of the four organizers of The Pioneer Valley Stamp Club and a charter member; a member of two branches of the Fellowship of Retired Men; and a member of the Springfield Hobby Club.

Clara Eunice was the daughter of James M. and Ruth Mahala Hall Lyon. James was a Civil War veteran, enlisting from Meadville, Penna., and his name is inscribed on the Penna. monument in Gettysburg National Cemetery. The Hall family were among the early settlers in Mass., and one of them is a Revolutionary War veteran, buried in Granville, Mass. Clara was a trained contralto singer, singing in various musical organizations and church quartets in Youngstown, Ohio. She was afflicted with high blood pressure during her later years, and after a couple of light attacks, she finally suffered a crippling shock on Dec. 31, 1947, and she died September 12, 1950, and is buried in the Masonic Section of Hillcrest Cemetery in Springfield, Mass.

Seth R. married Viola May Zahn on June 18, 1951, in the Chapel of Wesley Methodist Church by Dr. Leslie H. Johnson. Viola is the daughter of Richard Paul and Caroline Linda Turconi Zahn, and was born in Easthampton, Mass., on Aug. 6, 1901. Her father was a Spanish American War veteran, who died on July 19, 1901, less than a month before his daughter was born. Her mother was born in Milan, Italy, and came to this country when she was six years old. She died eight months after Viola was born. Viola lived with her grandparents until they died, when she was six years old. She then lived with her mother's sister and her husband and daughter in Easthampton; Joseph and Louise and Hazel Ourada, until she was 22 years old, when she moved to Springfield, Mass. She has been an employee of Johnson's Bookstore, Inc. for 34 years.

Seth and Viola went to 1904's fiftieth year reunion in 1954 and to the fifty-fifth reunion in 1959 at the Worcester Polytechnic Institute; an opportunity given to very few, because of the "ravages of time".

10- Robert Baxter Clark married Phyllis Mae Wood on June 27, 1940 in Springfield by Rev. Charles Jeffras of the Wesley Methodist Church, of which both are members. Phyllis is the daughter of Alfred G. and Hazel M. Gibbs Wood, and was born in Springfield on April 25, 1914. They have had the following children, all born in Springfield:

Donald Wood;- born July 29, 1942.
Jeffrey Lynn;- born Jan. 20, 1946.
Gregory Wood;- born Sept. 30, 1950.

Donald was drowned in Watershops Pond in Springfield, Feb. 24, 1949, by falling through the ice.
Robert graduated from Classical High School in 1931 and then took a post graduate course there for one year, so that he entered Amherst College in Sept. 1932 as a sophomore without entrance examination. He was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity, lived in the fraternity house and was president of it for one year. He graduated in June 1935, and entered the employment of the Van Norman Industries in the following September, where he has continued in various capacities; now Assistant Export Manager. Robert is an accomplished pianist and played with The Lord Jeff Serenaders during his college years, serving as manager one year. He is also an amateur magician. He has taken evening courses at Northeastern University; now Western New England College.

Phyllis is a graduate of the High School of Commerce. Robert and Phyllis own their two-family house at 63 Mass. Avenue, and are active in P.T.A. and Church work.

Because of the fact that Thomas Baxter II was adopted by his uncle, Thomas Baxter I, the following is included.

7A- Thomas Baxter Clark I married Martha Green of Spencer on Feb. 15, 1838. Their children were;-

Lucia E., who died April 1, 1839, aged 17 days.
Martha A., who died Feb. 22, 1842, aged 4 months and 22 days.
Thomas Baxter II, adopted.
George Phillips, adopted.

George P. married Julia Keith of Leicester, Mass. and they had one daughter, Hattie M. Fish Holman, now a widow residing in St. Petersburg, Florida, aged 87. George was a Civil War veteran who was shot in the leg on Sherman's march to the sea. George and Julia lived all their married life in Spencer on Ash St., near his father's house; and are buried in Spencer.

Thomas B. I, had an interesting career. He worked on a farm in Spencer, near the Charlton line, and when he was in his early twenties he bought the place from his employer, and Martha Green, who had also worked there, stayed on to keep house for Thomas. Thomas made charcoal from wood and sold it to the iron mills in Worcester. Later, he went into partnership with a neighbor and they entered a contract to furnish ties for the Boston & Albany R.R., which was then being built, under another name. His partner lost his nerve and gave up, whereupon Thomas worked, night and day, according to tradition, and was able to live up to the contract. He sold that farm and bought the Doctor White farm at 56 Ash St. Some time later, a street named Clark in his honor was cut through his farm from Ash to Maple St., and he sold house lots, mostly to Canadian-Americans who worked in the shoe factories. The compiler and his brothers and sister were born in the old farm-house with its inside well with windlass and bucket, and with a monster chimney at 56 Ash St. Martha died on Nov. 7, 1878, aged 77 years & 7 months. Thomas died on Feb. 5, 1886, aged 87 years & 2 months. They are buried in The Spencer Congregational Church Cemetery. The Spencer Sun of Friday, Feb. 5, 1886 contains the following:

"Thomas Baxter Clark, one of the oldest and best known citizens of this town died at 7 o'clock from the infirmities of old age, having begun his 88th year. He was born at New Salem but had been in Spencer about 60 years, most of the time engaged in farming. He was selectman in 1842 & 1843 and has always taken an interest in public affairs. Mr. Clark is one of the few men in town who has acquired a competence from the soil. He has always enjoyed remarkable health, has always been social, kind-hearted, a good neighbor and first-class citizen. Up to his last illness, which has been brief, he enjoyed life, read the papers, and has always made the best of the world. Spencer will be lonesome without him."

And the Spencer Sun of Friday, Feb. 12, contains the following:

"There was a large attendance at the funeral of Thomas Baxter Clark last Monday afternoon in the Congregational Church. The large number of old citizens and prominent business men present was a strong proof of the esteem in which the deceased was held. Rev. Dr. Walker conducted the service."

Thomas was a long-time director of the Spencer Savings Bank, up to the time of his death. A bank book in the compiler's possession lists his name.
He is the first of The Clark Family having the name Baxter. The compiler found, in old Warren records, that a Rev. Baxter was a highly revered minister in Warren; so evidently, Thomas and Sally got the name from that source.

Additional Family Data.

5-A. Kathron (Katherine) Clark married Thomas Weeks of Hardwick on April 3, 1743.

6-A. Thankful Clark married Jabez Elwell on Dec. 21, 1769.
Content Clark married Jabec Cobb on Dec. 8, 1776.
Sarah Clark married Joseph Robinson on Sept. 30, 1773; and was married to James Blair of Warren on March 26, 1805.
Rhoda married Timothy Hathaway on Sept. 23, 1784.
Susanna Clark married Simeon Clark on Dec. 1, 1791.

7-B. Ansel Young Clark married Lucretia Holden on Oct. 31, 1811, per church record. He died on Dec. 12, 1841. Their daughter died on Jan. 31, 1832, aged 18.

Lucia P. Clark married Joshua Putnam on April 15, 1823. She died on April 25, 1870.

Justin Clark married Cynthia W. Lamb on March 31, 1842. They lived on a farm in Spencer and had the following children:-
Justin Baxter died on Nov. 19, 1843, aged 32 days.
Thomas Austin died July 21, 1858; aged 7 weeks.
Justina C. died on Oct. 29, 1875; aged 20 years.
Ansel L. died April 23, 1890; aged 30 years.
Justin died on March 16, 1865; aged 53 years.
Cynthia died on Nov. 29, 1895; aged 74 years.
Thomas Baxter Clark I was appointed guardian of Justina and Ansel until they were of age. The compiler remembers Aunt Cynthia and Cousin Ansel. After Justin's death the family moved to their two-family house on Cherry Street. Ansel married a few years before his death but there were no children.

Rachel Maria Clark married Salmon Curtis on April 17, 1834. Their children were:-
Lorenzo- born July 22, 1835; and died Dec. 2, 1835.
Susan- born on Dec. 10, 1836.
Walter- born on Sept. 6, 1838.
Louisa- born on Feb. 13, 184-.
Lucia- born on May 27, 1840.
Salmon died in Barre, Mass. on July 11, 1872, aged 69.
Maria died in New Salem on March -, 1881, aged 73.

Everline W. Clark moved to Uxbridge, Mass. in 1828 and was married to Abner H. Rawson in 1831. They had two children:-
Charles Clark- born April 26, 1831; died in 1880. He was not married.
Sarah Hale- born Feb. 18, 1836, married Henry A. Cook and they lived in Whitinsville. She survived her husband, and the compiler visited her in Whitinsville, during Worcester Tech days.

8-A. Isaac P. died on Sept. 16, 1854; aged 24; unmarried.

Sarah E. married George Daniel Smith, and they lived in North Amherst. A daughter Emma married William Berry and they lived in East Templeton, and in Springfield, Mass. Another daughter, Ella, married Martin Maynard and they lived in Spencer.

William Martin died on Dec. 4, 1853; aged 18; unmarried.

Laura Berry married her sister's widower, George Daniel Smith. She died on June 13, 1878; aged 40 years.

George and Laura had two children:-
George Edward who married Clara Marshall. Daughter, Clara, was the only child who lived to maturity. She married Carl E. Billings who died on Aug. 1, 1950. His widow is now living in North Amherst.
Anna Gertrude who married Melvin Graves who was the constable in Amherst for many years, until his death. Their only child, Harold, did not live to maturity.

Mary J. died on March 17, 1874; aged 32; unmarried.

Maria Louise married Charles B. Newton of Portland, Maine and they had one child who died young. They lived in Springfield in the Nineties and the compiler visited them and they came to Templeton every year for Thanksgiving. Charles was a Civil War veteran and worked in Wason Car Works and the Armory. He made beautiful inlaid furniture for their home. Charles died in North Amherst on Nov. 28, 1921; and Maria died in Amherst on Feb. 28, 1922.

Martha A. died on Nov. 5, 1846; aged 1 year, 1 month, 9 days.

General Notes

The name "Clark" is spelled with and without a final "e", even as applied to the same person in genealogical records.

It will be noted that it was quite common to use the Christian name of a child who died young for the name of a child born later, as, for example, two children "Thomas" under 5.

The compiler indicated his interest in the names: Clark, Berry, and Stevens in the "Hobbies" section on the Methodist Church magazine, "Together", and received five replies from widely separated sections of the country. The author of one is evidently a distant relative, and further investigation is continuing. A copy of this issue will be sent to each one who sent replies, as a matter of courtesy.

Berkes Armory states that Richard Sears' ancestors lived in North England, and that he was born in Amsterdam, Holland, when his parents were there in exile. The present East Dennis was once a part of Yarmouth.

It will be noted that #9 and #9A, for example, could have been issued on one sheet. A separate sheet was used so that individual copies can be filled in with additional data as desired.

Data on New Salem gravestones:

1- Sophia Clark, daughter of Ansel and Lucretia Clark. Died 31st Jan. 1832, aged 18. "So fades the lovely blooming flower."
2- In memory of Sarah P. Clark who died April 16, 1829, aged 28 years; daughter of Thomas and Sally Clark.
3- Thomas Clark died April 23, 1842, aged 77 years. "Reader prepare to meet thy God."
4- Prudence, daughter of John and Susa Clark, died June 3, 1879, age 7 years, 5 mos. 23 days.
5- In memory of Mrs. Susa Clark, wife of John Clark, died Oct. 26, 1814, age 66 yrs.

Genealogy is a subject requiring never-ending research and study and the compiler realizes that this issuance does not "close the book". As worthwhile data is discovered, it will be issued. Of course, the deeper you dig, the more difficult it becomes to strike "pay-dirt".

The compiler hereby publicly acknowledges with gratitude and heartfelt thanks, the cooperation given him by Miss Hazel L. Ourada, 161 South Street, Northampton, Mass. She is Viola's cousin, and is a secretary at the Northampton Commercial College, whose facilities were used in this issuance.

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